Grades 3-5 or 6-8

Or

Beginning

BAND

UNEDITED DRAFT INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC—BAND

Grade Spans: 3-5/6-8 Beginning, 6-8/9-12 Intermediate, 9 – 12 Proficient, and 9 – 12 Advanced

This document gives practical solutions to using the standards in band classrooms and is designed to be "teacher friendly." Each of the standards will be addressed by providing several models in each of the four grade level groupings: 3-5/6-8 Beginning, 6-8/9-12 Intermediate, 9-12 Proficient, and 9-12 Advanced.

Band rooms should be a laboratory for making and teaching music. Music education should not be defined as, "always getting ready for the next performance." Instead, we should use a comprehensive curriculum that develops total musicianship, not merely technicians. Although the literature will be our primary curriculum, this document is designed to lead our students toward a complete musical experience.

The curriculum guide is based on the following outline:

I. Singing: Incorporating the use of solfege in the classroom

Singing unison / four-parts to develop appropriate listening skills

II. Instrumental: Using the 4 T's system for instrumental instruction and assessment

Using chamber music as a viable tool for instrumental development

III. Improvisation: Improvisation exercises in the classroom

Improvisation within the context of a standard scale, blues scale, mode, or form

IV. Composition Students will compose basic melodies for their instrument

Students will compose arrangements and original works

V. Reading/Notation: Tools for improved counting of rhythms

Tools for improved sight-reading skills

VI. Analysis: Identifying musical forms

Thematic devises within music

VII. Evaluation: Student Self-Assessment

Use of the "Components of Playing" list to evaluate performance

VIII. Connections: Using specific works to teach musical connections

Comparison of two or more art forms

IX. History/Culture: Using specific works to teach history and culture

Written assignments across the curriculum for history and culture

Grades 3-5/6-8 – Beginning Level Band

I. Singing: Students will sing, alone, and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

1. Singing: Students will sing, alone, and with others, a varied repertoire of music.			
South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies	
A. *sing on pitch using neutral syllables, note names, or solfege while maintaining a steady tempo and meter. B. sing expressively with appropriate dynamics, phrasing, and interpretation. C. *sing in groups and respond to a conductor.	Resource Students will use <i>Band Tune-Ups</i> by Dr. Alvyn J. Heim to incorporate the teaching of solfege into classroom instruction. Commentary These exercises are great for teaching solfege in "moveable do." A particular strength of using these four-note exercises is noticeable improvement in interval identification. As young students master the easy intervals, the exercises increase in difficulty. Activities - use the four-note melodic phrases contained in the booklet (exercises 9 – 20) - transfer the material learned to teach students how to sight-sing simple children's songs common in most method books - have students compose and sing their own four-note exercises - have students compose an eight-measure melody with indications of appropriate solfege Other Sources - Grutzmacher Tonal Patterns - MacKnight Tonal Patterns - Gordon Tonal Patterns	Performance rubric, verbal critique, recorded performance checklist, composition assignment, written test Links to websites: Kodaly Music Educators of Texas: www.oake.org./ket/index.htm National Association of Teachers of Singing: www.nats.org/	

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II. Instrumental Students will perform on instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *perform on pitch, in	Resource	Checklist, verbal critique,
rhythm, with appropriate dynamics and timbre, and maintain a steady tempo and	Teachers will incorporate the <i>Four T's</i> system of study to teach and assess instrumental music.	teacher created rubric
meter.	Commentary The Four T's is based on the following: students must play (1) In Time (2) In Tune (3) With A Characteristic Tone (4) and with appropriate Technique. These four basic—concepts are a wonderful starting point for instrumental development. Although there are many components of playing, the Four T's allows students to hone in on these very important and necessary skills. Activities	Links to websites: Bands of America: www.bands.org New York Philharmonic: www.nyphilkids.org
	 play identical pitches on like instruments; start the process by abnormally lengthening one of the instruments; teach young students how to adjust and achieve "beatless" tuning of sound waves teach the "pyramid balance" concept to young students, have them play a Bb major chord with correct balance, then incorrect balance, to obtain discrimination develop a listening library of recordings Other Sources Robert J. Garofalo, Improving Intonation in Band and Orchestra Performance. Ft. Lauderdale: Meredith Music, 1996 Summit Records: Orchestral Excerpts (CD's for most wind and brass instruments) W. Francis McBeth, Effective Performance of Band Music Scott Rush, Habits of A Successful Band Director 	Dallas Symphony: www.playmusic.org
B. *perform in groups, blending instrumental timbres and responding to a conductor. C. perform expressively a varied repertoire of music representing diverse genres and styles. D. echo short rhythmic and melodic patterns. E. *perform independent instrumental parts while others play contrasting parts.	Resource Students will demonstrate a "mastery" of major scales and the chromatic scale on their particular instrument. Commentary The ability of students to learn and demonstrate scales has become a lost art form. One of the reasons is the way in which students are taught to play scales. In many cases, directors are careless when it comes to explaining transpositions as they relate to playing scales in class, teaching key signatures and their rules, or asking certain instruments to play too high too soon (e.g., horn). In addition, many directors use the fingering charts in the back of band methods to teach the chromatic scale without providing adequate instruction of "enharmonic" notes. Therefore, students learn incorrect spellings of scales.	Other Sources - Edward S. Lisk, "Mastery of Music Fundamentals" Alternative Rehearsal Techniques - Edward S. Lisk, from Teaching Music Through Performance in Band, Volume II - Scott Rush, Habits of A Successful Band Director, refer to the section on

Activities

- use the following sequence for teaching scales:

Teach the order of sharps and flats

Teach enharmonic notes for mastery

Teach rules about finding the keys

Finger the scale while hearing it harmonically correct

Say it and finger the notes

Sing the scale while playing it

Hear it in your head while playing it

Teach the chromatic scale enharmonically correct (Beware of beginner band method

fingering charts)

Be aware of appropriate ranges for beginners

Use the circle of fifths

"Technique"

- Richard Williams and Jeff King, Foundations for Superior Performance

Assessment

 Multiple-choice test on key signatures and enharmonic spellings of notes, written test, recorded performance assessed with a teacher-created checklist or rubric, verbal critique

Links to websites:

www.risingsoftware.com

Grades 3-5/6-8 – Beginning Level Band Improvisation Students will improvise melodies, variations, and accompaniments III.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *echo simple rhythmic and melodic patterns.	Resource Use simple children's melodies to teach elementary improvisation based on the "theme and variations" model.	Other Sources - Standard Of Excellence Comprehensive Band Method
	Commentary Many band directors shy away from the <i>improvisation</i> component within the state standards. Yet, most beginner band methods include the "theme and variations" form in their text. Rhythmic alterations can be effectively used to teach basic improvisation. This can serve as a launching pad for students to experience the joy of producing their own unique "variations on a theme." Don't forget to include the chord progressions under the melodies listed. Activities	 Standard Of Excellence Jaz Ensemble Method Essential Elements 2000 Band Method
	 encourage students to play simple melodies by ear demonstrate how simple melodies written in 4/4 time may be switched into "3." An example would be to take "Mary Had A Little Lamb" or "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" and have students play as a half note followed by a quarter by ear (Other possible tunes: Hot Cross Buns, Skip to My Lou, Haydn's Surprise Symphony Theme) restate simple melodies written in quarter notes to include eighth notes. An example would be "Twinkle-Twinkle" stated as four eighths and two quarters apply these concepts to scales in quarter notes. An example would be to take the Ab scale and play the third and sixth scale degrees as two eighth notes or have a 	Multiple-choice test on key signatures and enharmonic spellings of notes, written test, recorded performance assessed with a teacher-created checklist or rubric, verbal critique Links to websites:
	student make up a different rhythm for each pitch while maintaining a steady tempo write a countermelody over one of the suggested melodies	www.risingsoftware.com
B. improvise simple rhythmic and melodic phrases.	Resource Use the tune My Country 'Tis of Thee to teach melodic alterations within the "theme and variations" concept.	Composition assignment, performance rubric, writter assignment
C. *play and embellish simple melodies by ear.	Commentary The previous exercises encouraged students to make rhythmic alterations to compose their own melodies. In this exercise,	
	we will use melodic alterations to build our "variations on a theme." This concept will encourage students to explore outside of the given melody while staying inside the diatonic scale. Activities	www.town4kids.com www.harmonicvision.com
	 encourage students to perform My Country 'Tis of Thee and its baseline by ear use the tune My Country 'Tis Of Thee to teach melodic improvisation within a given theme have students compose a variation of the tune and write solfege syllables underneath the notes 	
	 have students perform the original exercise in another key or transpose the written exercise into another key 	

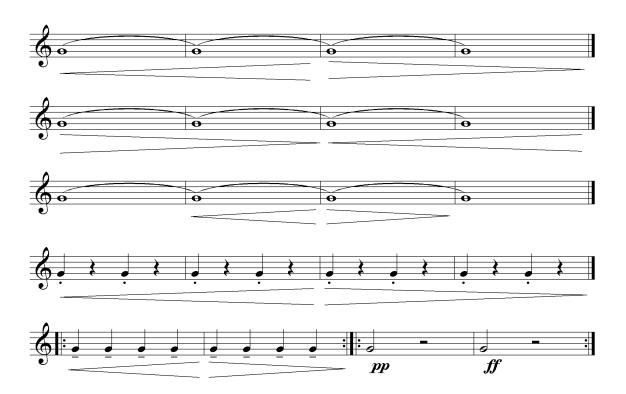
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IV. Composition Students will compose and arrange music within specific guidelines.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. explore compositional	Resource	- Checklist, rubric,
devices in large group settings.	Students will compose sight-reading examples for one another, using basic rhythms and simple melodic devices.	recorded performance, written assignment
	Commentary At this age level, it is important for students to simply have staff paper in hand and be able to write something. If instructions are clear and the process is simple, students will be able to compose short melodies. Teacher instructions are the key to making this work! Activities	Links to websites: www.ars-nova.com www.harmonicvision.com
	- instruct students to compose an eight-measure melody using the following rules:	www.narmonicvision.com
	 a predetermined set of rhythms for each measure a predetermined range (example: solfege "do" to "so" OR "a one octave range") use the diatonic scale exclusively no large interval skips 	
	 instruct students to write the solfege syllables under the notes after completion instruct students to sing the examples using the solfege syllables indicated instruct students to play the work of other students at sight 	
	Other Sources - Standard Of Excellence Music Theory and History Workbook (Books I – III) - Master Theory (Books I – III)	
B. *arrange simple melodies for one's own instrument.	Resource Students will learn the concept of "harmony" by composing duets for their instrument. Commentary The teacher will provide examples of simple children's melodies for use in this project. Students will need to be prepped on setting up the double-staff, key signature, and clef,	Rubric for a recorded performance, checklist for written assignment
	before beginning. Several different tunes should be used for this assignment. Students may need a month or two of reinforcement (once or twice a day) to independently harmonize, but	Links to websites:
	with practice, students should be hearing and singing harmony in thirds and fourths.	ars-nova.com
	 Activities students will harmonize simple melodies in thirds (and sometimes, fourths) by ear and through notation students will perform completed duets for the class 	harmonicvision.com
	- students will sing the duets using the syllable "oh"	
	- students will re-write the duet on a single staff (be aware of what side of the note the	

	stem is written)	
	Other Sources	
	- Standard Of Excellence Music Theory and History Workbook (Books I – III)	
	- Master Theory (Books I, II, and IV)	
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V. Reading and Notating	Students will read and notate music.	
South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. read whole, half, dotted half, quarter, and eighth notes and rests in 2/4, 3/4, and 4/4 meter signatures. B. *use a system (syllables, numbers, or pitch names) to read simple pitch notation in the clef appropriate for his/her instrument. C. *identify symbols and traditional terms referring to dynamics, tempo, and articulation. D. use standard symbols to notate meter, rhythm, pitch, and dynamics in simple patterns presented by the teacher.	Resource Use various rhythm charts to aid in the teaching of basic rhythms. Commentary It is very important to choose charts or rhythm pattern sequences that do not repeat the same rhythm, measure after measure. In this method, students learn to imitate rather than count. It is far better to teach concepts that require students to demonstrate mastery. An example would be to have students of this level account for every eighth note in the measure by saying the rhythm aloud and accounting for silent beats or beats of duration under the breath. After this concept is mastered, students should use a counting system that duplicates exactly what is coming out of the instrument, including holding notes for full duration. Activities - use the rhythm charts in John O'Reilly's Accent On Achievement or rhythm studies in the back of Standard of Excellence or Essential Elements - Grover Yaus, 101 Rhythmic Rest - Ed Sueta, Rhythm Vocabulary Charts; be careful of imitation - use Dan Fox, The Rhythm Bible, Alfred Publishing - have students compose their own rhythm charts - teachers create their own two measure rhythm flash cards Resource Use various dynamic exercises to increase musical expression and introduce the identification and implementation of dynamics as a key component of music. Commentary Students learn at a very early age to practice and perform at the "mezzo" dynamic level. It is the director's responsibility to incorporate dynamic exercises into the class routine and to provide students with exercises to perform in their individual practice sessions. Dynamics for the musician are much like paint colors for the artist – works of art that contain one color only, are not nearly as interesting as an entire palette of colors. After students are taught the fundamentals of breathing (ex: saying the syllable, "MAHW) and staying relaxed, study of dynamic exercises should begin. This should happen approximately four months into their development. Activities (Use the dynamic exercises on the following page) -	Other Sources - Standard of Excellence Theory and History Workbook - Master Theory (Books I, II and IV) Students will notate rhythm pattern sequences using note values indicated by the teacher. Students will be assessed with a checklist to determine 1. rhythm sequences accurately identified and applied 3. notated rhythm patterns accurately chanted using rhythm syllables 4. notated rhythm patterns accurately performed on an instrument. Links to websites: www.risingsoftware.com/musition www.mibac.com • Performance rubric, checklist, verbal critique, recorded performance Links to websites: www.ertechsoft.com

Standard of Excellence Comprehensive Band Method Essential Elements 2000 Comprehensive Band Method



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VI. Analysis Students will listen to, analyze, and describe music

South Carolina Standards	Activities	Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. identify simple music forms	Resource		Written test, multiple
presented aurally.	The director will make use of the vocabula introduce appropriate terminology to youn	ry list contained in the <i>Selmer Band Manual</i> to	choice test, verbal feedback
	introduce appropriate terminology to young	g students.	Теедраск
	Commentary		
		ng knowledge of basic terms within music. The	Links to websites
	long-term goal is to have students be able t		
		ology, tempo markings, and articulations, students of a composition. Care must taken in order that	www.ertechsoft.com
	students do not simply memorize a list but		www.mibac.com
	conversation.		www.minoue.eom
	Activities		
	- devise a vocabulary test, which utilize		
	used musical terms commensurate wit		
	 devise "flash cards" with appropriate t names 		
	- devise other "terms" games with rewa		
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	Other Sources		
	- Essential Elements 2000		
C. *use appropriate terminology	- Standard of Excellence Resource		Verbal critique, self
in explaining music, music	Students will be introduced to the concept of "form" within a given musical composition.		assessment, written
notation, music instruments,			critique
and music performances.	Commentary The teachings of form within this age level	should be taught in the simplest of terms. The	•
	activity samples are devised to introduce the		
	Activities		Links to other websites
	- Twinkle, Twinkle	ABA, Four-bar phrase	www.ertechsoft.com
	- Row, Row, Row Your Boat	Round (Canon), Four-bar phrase	WWW.Williams
	- Frere Jacques	Round (Canon)	
	- Deo	Call and response	
	- Most grade I selections	AB or ABA form.	
		orks to demonstrate the <i>fugue</i> , any of the <i>theme and</i> nethod books, - develop a listening library of quality	
	literature for your students	nethod books, develop a historing horary of quanty	
	Other Sources		
		Workbook (II and III), Standard of Excellence Jazz	
		' found in the Standard of Excellence Conductor	
	Score Book and the "Activities of Excellen	ce" found within the method books, Charles	

Burkhart, Anthology for Musical Analysis.

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VII. Evaluation Students will evaluate music and music performances.

South Carolina Standards	Activiti	es/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *devise criteria for	Resource		Other Sources
evaluating performances.	The director will make use of a basic vocabulary test to introduce elements of analysis and evaluation to young students.		- "listening comparison chart in the <i>Standard of</i>
B. explain, using appropriate	Commentary		Excellence Conductor
music terminology, their	For this age level, it is important to intro	duce elements of music that can be analyzed and	Score Book
personal preferences for		The long-term goal is to have students evaluate their	- Scott Rush, <i>Habits of A</i>
specific music works and styles.	own performances, and the performance master is that of "discrimination" and ha	s of others. The concept that we want students to ving a critical ear.	Successful Band Director: "Student Self-Assessment"
	Activities		Form
	- devise a vocabulary test, which teac	hes the following concepts:	
	timing	style (to include) composers, periods of music,	Self Assessment, written
	tone	media, different nationalities, forms and	critique, checklist, written
	tuning	different compositional styles and genres	essay
	dynamics	rhythm	
	examples may be	in the style of Mozart,	Links to websites
	harmony	in the impressionists style,	www.ertechsoft.com
	texture	in the French style,	www.ars-nova.com
	form	in a fugue or contrapuntal style,	
	meter	bluegrass style,	Self Assessment, written
	genre	or in the form of a rag	critique, checklist, written
	timbre / tone color		essay
	- devise a very simple "Self Assessm	ent" sheet for evaluating elements of music	
	Resource		Links to websites
	Use your student's own CD collection to	set up an evaluation tool for music.	www.ertechsoft.com
	Commentary		www.ars-nova.com
		Have them bring what they consider to be the best	
		ortunity to discuss what makes a performance or a	
		e instructor, don't become narrow-minded in your	
	approach. Try and find positive and neg	ative things about various artists.	
	Activities		
	~ . ~ ~ ~	ts and have students make comments on:	
	timing form tone meter	8	
		styleharmony cultural origin texture basic	
	chord progressions		
	Other Sources		
		dard of Excellence Conductor Score Book, Scott Rush,	
	Habits of A Successful Band Director:"	Student Self-Assessment" Form	

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VIII. Music Connections Students will relate music to the other arts and disciplines outside of the arts

South Carolina Standards			ties/Topics/Resources		Assessment Strategies
A. *identify similarities and differences in the meanings of common terms used in the various arts areas (texture, color, form, movement). C. identify ways in which the principles and subject matter of other disciplines taught in the school are interrelated with those of music.	Resource Use various pieces of music to teach the relationship between music, dance, and dance styles within the context of music history. Commentary Throughout history, music and dance have had a kindred relationship. Whether it be forms such as the gigue (Baroque) or "gig," music has been the life force behind the invention and performance of various dances. Dances would obviously look a little unusual without any accompaniment. Music forms may also be supplemented when teaching about Baroque dance music. Activities - name various types of dances and the music most closely associated with the style:		Other Resources - Dvorak and Floyd, Best Music for Beginning Band, Brooklyn: Manhattan Beach Music, 2000 - Dvorak, Blocher, Emmons, et al, Teaching Music through Performance in Beginning Band, Chicago: GIA Publications, 2001		
	shag line dancing Latin jazz - use the follostudents: Barn Dance Satt Soldier's Proces	modern dance slow dancing waltz European (ex: Polka	swing dance square dance the "charleston" Hawaiian) amples to introduce contrasting dan Plante) (Susato / Margolis)	hip-hop / funk disco ballet	• Written test, multiple choice or matching test, written critique, written essay Links to websites www.deadance.com

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IX. History and Culture Students will relate music to history and culture.

South Carolina Standards	Activi	ties/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *perform a varied repertoire	Resource	•	Other Resources
of music from various cultures.	Choose selections of music to perform with your ensemble that demonstrate and teach music		- Dvorak and Floyd, <i>Best</i>
	from throughout history within many different cultures.		Music for Beginning
B. perform music from various	Commentary		Band, Brooklyn:
historical periods.	So many directors shy away from this	component. However, after some analysis, you will	Manhattan Beach Music,
		e from different cultures in your programming for just	2000
		t is in no way intended to be comprehensive. The list	- Dvorak, Blocher,
	0 0 1	of different cultures with your ensembles.	Emmons, et al, <i>Teaching</i>
	Activities		Music through
	- program one of the following select		Performance in Beginning
	Safari	Jay Chattaway	Band, Chicago: GIA
	Hotaru Koi	Nancy Fairchild	Publications, 2001
	Sakura	Mike Story	
	African Sketches	James Curnow	Assessment
	African Festival	Hilliard / Elledge	Written critique, verbal
	Ahrirung	Garofalo / Whaley	critique, checklist, written
	Hungarian Folkround	Garofalo / Whaley	essay
	Jazz Ballad	Clark Tyler	
	Two Russian Folksongs	Ralph Gingery	
	A French Canadian Suite	Arnold MacLaughlin	Links to websites
	Nottingham Castle	Larry Daehn	
	Train Heading West	Timothy Broege	www.nhmccd.edu
		ogether several elements of a particular culture	
	(language, art, customs, dance, her	rtage)	Assessment
	Resources	- C 4: CC	• Written critique, checklist,
	Devise a sequential lesson of selections Commentary	s from different time periods.	written test, listening test
		e introduced to the concept that music comes from	Links to websites
		purages the instructor to point out the differences	Links to websites
	and similarities of selections from the		www.ipl.org/exhibit/mushist
	through the present.		www.ipi.org/eximot/musinst
	Activities		Other Resources
		s from each of the following time periods:	- Standard of Excellence
	Antiquity		Music Theory and History
	Medieval (also known as the midd	le ages)	Workbook (Books I – III)
	Rennaissance		- Donald J. Grout, A History
	Baroque		of Western Music (Shorter
	Classical		Edition), New York: W.W.
	Romantic		Norton and Company, 1981
	Twentieth Century		- Palisca, Norton Anthology

Jazz	of Western Music
- assign students to do a written project on a composer from a particular time period.	(discography

Advanced Middle School

Or

Intermediate High School

Grades–6-8/9-12 Intermediate

I. Singing Students will sing, alone, and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *sing accurately and with good breath control, alone and/or in small and large ensembles.	Resource Students will use Band Tune-Ups by Dr. Alvyn J. Heim to incorporate the teaching of solfege into classroom instruction. Commentary These exercises are great for teaching solfege in "moveable do." A particular strength of using these six-note exercises is noticeable improvement in interval identification. You may want to begin with the easier patterns and work up to these exercises. Activities use the four and six-note melodic phrases contained in the booklet (exercises 9 – 29) transfer the material learned to teach students how to sight-sing simple melodies have students improvise a six-note melodic phrase and then notate it have students compose and sing their own six-note exercises have students compose an eight-bar melody with indications of appropriate solfege have students compose a sixteen measure melody with indications of appropriate solfege Other Sources Grutzmacher Tonal Patterns MacKnight Tonal Patterns Gordon Tonal Patterns The Kodaly Method	Performance rubric, verbal critique, recorded performance checklist, composition assignment, written tes Link to other websites: Performance rubric, verbal critique, recorded performance checklist, composition assignment, written tes
B. *sing with expression and technical accuracy. C. sing music written in two and three parts.	Resource Students will use <i>Band Tune-Ups</i> by Dr. Alvyn J. Heim to incorporate the teaching of two and three-part singing into classroom instruction. Commentary These exercises are great for teaching solfege in "moveable do." A particular strength of using these scale patterns is that the canon-like method of instruction teaches students to tune various types of chords: major (I, IV, V), minor (ii, iii, vi), and diminished (vii). Activities use the scales in two-part and three-part canon form (ex. 3 – 4) transfer the material learned to teach students how to sing and tune chords have students play chords diatonically on each scale degree on a keyboard teach a lesson on the following type chords: major, minor, augmented, diminished teach students to sing the following type chords: major, minor, augmented, diminished Other Sources Grutzmacher Tonal Patterns MacKnight Tonal Patterns Master Theory Books I - VII The Kodaly Method	Link to other websites: Kodaly Music Educators of Texas www.oake.org./ket/index.htm National Association of Teachers of Singing www.nats.org/ Kodaly Music Educators of Texas www.oake.org./ket/index.htm National Association of Teachers of Singing www.nats.org/

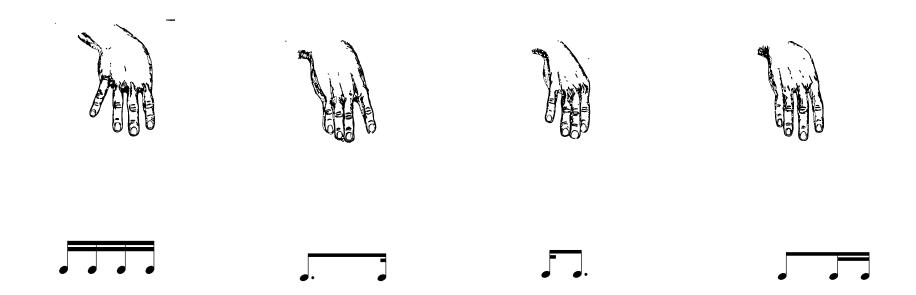
Grades-6-8/9-12 Intermediate

II. Instrumental Students will perform on instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

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South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. perform on at least one	Resource Teachers will incorporate the <i>Four T's</i> system of study to teach and assess	- (Tone) develop a listening
instrument accurately and	instrumental music.	library of recordings from
independently, alone and in	Commentary The <i>Four T's</i> is based on the following system: Students must play (1) In	professional artists
ensembles with good posture,	Time (2) In Tune (3) With A Characteristic Tone (4) and with appropriate Technique. These	- (Timing) use rhythm charts
playing position, and good	four basic concepts are a wonderful starting point for instrumental development. Although	to assist with pulse
breath, bow, or stick control.	there are many components of	development
B. *perform with expression	playing, this list of four allows students to hone in on these very important and necessary	Other Sources
and technical accuracy on at	skills. Three concepts are introduced here.	- Robert J. Garofalo,
least one string, wind, or	Activities (Tuning)	Improving Intonation in
percussion instrument a	Flutes: If you are sharp, you must roll in – if you are flat, you must roll out and lift head	Band and Orchestra
repertoire of instrumental	slightly; then adjust the instrument	Performance. Ft.
literature with a level of	Brasses: Lip up or down to eliminate beats, then adjust your instrument accordingly; If you	Lauderdale: Meredith
difficulty of 1-2 on a scale of 1-	are sharp, pull out – if you are flat, push in; Horns may use the right hand to make subtle	Music, 1996
6.	pitch adjustments, especially in the low register; Trombones have a tuning slide in their right	- Summit Records:
	hand Oboes: Reeds should crow a "C." The reed should go all the way in. Only very slight	Orchestral Excerpts (CD's
C. perform music representing	adjustments are possible without messing up the tuning of the instrument.	for most wind and brass
diverse genres and cultures with	Bassoons: You must have the proper bocal size as a starting point for pitch; if you are sharp,	instruments)
expression appropriate for the	use a larger sized bocal – if you are flat, use a smaller size	- Scott Rush, <i>Habits of A</i>
work being performed.	Other WW's: This may be a departure from the norm, but I believe that no embouchure	Successful Band Director,
	adjustment should be taught to young players; only adjust the instrument – if you are flat	Fort Wayne: Focus On
D. play by ear simple melodies	push in, if you are sharp pull out. As the director, you should check the proper adjustment of	Excellence Publishing: 2002
on a melodic instrument and	oboe reeds and the length of barrels for clarinet. I don't like to teach embouchure adjustment	- Charling a haloding
simple accompaniments on a harmonic instrument.	because I want the young ones to concentrate on proper embouchure development, period!	 Checklist, verbal critique, teacher rubric
narmonic instrument.	As they get a little older and start to experience more advanced concepts of tuning, then they	teacher rubric
E. perform solo literature and	are ready to learn other ways to adjust.	Links to other websites:
small ensembles with one	Resource Students will use chamber music as a means to enhance their musical development	www.playmusic.org
student on a part.	on their instrument.	Verbal critique, recorded
stadent on a part.	Commentary Other than private instruction, there is no better way for a student to improve	performance, self assessment,
F. perform major and/or minor	than by playing in a chamber ensemble. Each ensemble should have a coach, with particular	peer assessment, teacher
scales as outlined by SCMEA	emphasis placed on tone production, musicality, and blend. Chamber music is a magnificent	rubric
Standards.	collaboration between musicians and a wonderful teaching tool for how parts relate to one	
	another.	Links to other websites:
	Activities The following ensembles are recommended for this age level: Brass Quintet,	Bands of America:
	Woodwind Quintet, Saxophone Quartet, Clarinet Choir, Percussion Ensemble.	www.bands.org
	Other Sources	
	- Canadian Brass Books, <i>Beginning and Easy Brass</i> Quintets (Barnes)	New York Philharmonic:
	- Voxman / Hervig – <i>Ensemble Repertoire</i> (Twelve Woodwind Quintets from Easy to	www.nyphilkids.org
	Medium)	Dallas Crimphorri
	- Scott Rush, <i>Habits of A Successful Band Director:</i> contains level-appropriate lists for	Dallas Symphony:

Brass Quintet, Woodwind Quintet, Percussion Ensemble, and "harmonimusik" instrumentation

www.playmusic.org



Grades-6-8/9-12 Intermediate

III. Improvisation Students will improvise melodies, variations, and accompaniments

Resource	37. 1. 1
	- Verbal critique, student
Students will demonstrate elementary improvisational skills by performing the blues scale	rubric, checklist, recorded
• •	performance, listening
Commentary	rubric
	Links to websites:
	www.jazzbooks.com
	www.harmonicvision.com
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	within the 12-bar blues progression. Commentary This level of student really thrives on the chance to begin the study of jazz. The blues scale is a good starting point and exposes students to the concept that there are many types of scales within music and that all great musicians have a working knowledge of these scales. Examples may include major scales, all three forms of the minor scale, blues, whole tone, pentatonic, and so forth. These activities are the first baby steps in teaching jazz improvisation. Activities - play the blues scale in half notes over the blues progression - play the blues scale in quarter notes, repeating any note that fits within the context of the progression - play the blues progression - listen to recordings of jazz legends - identify the 12-bar blues progression Other Sources - Standard Of Excellence Jazz Ensemble Method - Jamey Aebersold, Nothin' But Blues, Volume II (Beg / Intermediate level) - Willie Hill, Approaching the Standards Volume I Resource Use How to Play and Improvise, by Jamey Aebersold, to learn improvisation of standard jazz melodies within the context of a play-along rhythm section. Commentary All students should be exposed to the standard jazz charts that make up this great collection. All instrumentalists should be well rounded and encouraged to be proficient at various styles and genres of music so it may be necessary to write out parts for non-traditional jazz instrumentation. Use material appropriate for the beginner level student. In an ideal situation, this material should be taught during an in-school or after school jazz band class. Activities - Students will learn basic improvisation (beginner level) with the use of the book, How to Play and Improvise by Jamey Aebersold Other Sources - Jamey Aebersold, Nothin' But Blues (book) - Jamey Aebersold, Nothin' But Blues (book) - Jamey Aebersold, Janyone Can Improvise (video) - Jamey Aebersold, Janyone Can Improvise (video)

Grades-6-8/9-12 Intermediate

IV. Composition Students will compose and arrange music within specific guidelines.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *compose short pieces	Resource	 Composition assignment,
within specific guidelines,	Students will arrange My Country 'Tis of Thee for	written test, teacher graded
demonstrating use of the	performance within their instrumentation group.	rubric
elements of music.	Commentary	
	This particular composition is effective because the melody is diatonic, yet the chord	
	progressions are challenging for this level student. The assignment should ultimately	Links to websites:
	produce an arrangement that is well thought out, promotes creativity, and	
	is theoretically sound.	www.ars-nova.com
	Activities	
	Provide the chord progressions necessary for the composition. I ideally they should hear these	www.harmonicvision.com
	and identify without being given the information. If not, perhaps start with an easier song and	
	progress to this one.	
	- Identify and label the chord progressions	
	- Select a key that is best suited for the desired instrumentation	
	- Evaluate the best possible ranges for each instrument	
	- Determine the basic outline for the composition	
	- Evaluate elements such as melody, harmony, accompaniment, timbre	
	- Begin the arrangement by establishing the bass line	
	Other Sources	
	- Standard of Excellence Theory and History Workbook, Volumes I – III	
	- Master Theory, Books II, III, and IV	
B. *arrange simple pieces for	Resource	
instruments other that those for	Students will compose an original work for their instrument. The teacher will provide	
which the pieces were written.	specific guidelines and parameters under which the composition will be written.	
-	Commentary	
C. *use a variety of traditional	Students enjoy writing their own tunes. These compositions can be very simple, but many	
and non-traditional sound	times, turn out quite complex. Students should be given the freedom to write whatever	
sources and when available	comes to them. There is nothing about this assignment that is wrong. It may be the teacher's	
electronic media when	job to guide the student in making their composition come to life.	
composing and arranging.	Activities	
	- Write a melody for your specific instrument	
	- Play the melody on your instrument or on a keyboard instrument	
	- Record the melody	
	- Determine the instrumentation for an appropriate accompaniment or write an	
	accompaniment for piano using block chords	
	- Use a computer program such as <i>Sibelius</i> or <i>Finale</i> to print your final product	
	Other Sources	
	- Standard of Excellence Theory and History Workbook, Volumes I – III	
	- Master Theory, Books II - V	

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V. Reading and Notating Students will read and notate music.

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South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies	
A. read whole, half, quarter,	Resource	Other Sources	
eighth, sixteenth, and dotted	Use the four-finger counting system to teach basic sixteenth note subdivisions within time.	- Grover Yaus, 101 Rhythmic	
notes and rests in 2/4, 3/4, 4/4,	Commentary	Rest by	
6/8, 3/8, and alla breve meter.	The four-finger counting system introduced in <i>Podium Pitfalls and Parachutes</i> , allows	- Ed Sueta, use selected	
	directors to teach grouping and subdivision and serves as a visual aid in determining what	Rhythm Vocabulary Charts	
B. *read at sight simple	students understand and know.	- Dan Fox, <i>The Rhythm</i>	
melodies in the clef appropriate	Activities	Bible	
for his/her instrument and	- use the four-finger counting system to teach the following rhythms:	 rubric, checklist, counting 	
identify alternate clef systems.	(Consult Podium Pitfalls and Parachutes for a detailed explanation)	test, recorded performance	
	Four sixteenth notes	Links to websites:	
	An eighth and two sixteenths		
	Two sixteenths and an eighth	www.mibac.com	
	Sixteenth – Eighth – Sixteenth		
	A dotted-eight and sixteenth	www.maestromusic.com	
	A sixteenth and dotted-eighth		
	Teach each of the combinations by demonstrating how the sixteenth note subdivision		
	functions underneath each of these combinations. Use the following fingering system to be a		
	visual aid in teaching the desired rhythm: See notation below		





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V. Reading and Notating Students will read and notate music.

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South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
C. *identify and define standard	Resource	Other Sources
notation symbols for pitch,	Students will use basic exercises to rehearse appropriate articulations	- Dan Fox, <i>The Rhythm</i>
rhythm, dynamics, tempo,	within the context of sight reading musical examples.	Bible
articulation, and expression.	Commentary	- W. Francis McBeth,
	Most young students are programmed to play correct notes and rhythms when they sight-read	Effective Performance of
D. use standard notation to	a musical example. Lessons provided in this	Band Music
record musical ideas and the	document have encouraged young students to explore outside of this realm to include	
musical ideas of others.	dynamics, articulations, and appropriate tempi. These	Assessment
	articulation exercises are basic in developing good reading skills.	 Rubric, written assignment,
	Activities	recorded performance
	- students will learn the exercises below	
	- students will write simple melodies that contain various articulations	Links to websites:
	- students may add other articulations such as various accents, legato and marcato	
	markings	www.mibac.com
	Trumpet in Bb	
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VI. Analysis Students will listen to, analyze, and describe music

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. describe specific music	Resource	- written test, verbal critique
events in a given aural example,	The director will make use of the vocabulary list contained in the Selmer Band Manual to	checklist
using appropriate terminology.	introduce appropriate terminology to young students.	
	Commentary	
	It is important for students to have a working knowledge of basic terms within music. The	Links to websites
	long-term goal is to have students be able to pronounce and use musical terms in the	
	appropriate situation. Care must taken in order that students do not simply memorize a list but	www.ertechsoft.com
	be able to carry on an	
	intelligent musical conversation.	www.mibac.com
	Activities	
	- devise a vocabulary test, which utilizes the Junior	
	All-State requirements for winds as stated in the South Carolina Musician	
	- devise "flash cards" with appropriate terms and note names	
	- devise other "terms" games with rewards and prizes	
	- perform segments of music. Have students identify using the correct terminology the temporal	
	and articulation used. (e.g., allegro and staccato).	
	- Give students an 8-bar segment of music with tempo markings and articulations indicated.	
	Perform the example incorrectly. Have students analyze what was correct and incorrect	
	about the performance (e.g., articulation	
	markings, key signature mistakes, rhythm errors, etc.)	
	Other Sources	
	- Elizabeth Green, <i>The Modern Conductor</i>	
B. analyze the uses of the	Resource	Other Sources
elements of music in examples	Students will compose a short melody, which demonstrates a particular musical form.	- Standard of Excellence
representing diverse genres and	Commentary	Music Theory and History
cultures.	Once students have been introduced to the concept of form, they must be able to put it into	Workbook (Books I – III)
	practice. The desire is for students to master the concept and be able to search for elements	- Scott Rush, <i>Habits of A</i>
C. *analyze music, identifying	of form and structure within any given work that they are performing.	Successful Band Director
basic principles of meter,	Activities	
rhythm, tonality, intervals, and	- students will compose a short melody using the following forms: ABA, Round	 Written essay, written test,
chords.	Call and Response, 12-bar blues	rubric, verbal critique
	- students will analyze ensemble works that they are performing for evaluation of form	-
	- students will be able to aurally identify other markings such as: dynamics, ostinati,	
	tempo changes	Links to websites
	intervals	
		www.ertechsoft.com
		www.mibac.com
		www.artsedge.kennedy-
		center.org

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VII. Evaluation Students will evaluate music and music performances.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A* develop criteria for	Resource	Other Sources
evaluating the quality and	The director will make use of a basic assessment sheet to introduce elements of analysis and	- "Listening Worksheets"
effectiveness of music	evaluation to young students.	found in the Standard of
performances and Compositions	Commentary	Excellence Conductor
and apply the criteria to	For this age level, it is important to introduce the concept of analysis and evaluation within a	Score Book and the
personal listening, composing,	given piece of music. The long-term goal is to have students evaluate their own performances,	"Activities of Excellence"
and performing.	and the performances of others. The concept that we want students to master is that of	found within the method
	"discrimination"	books
B. *evaluate the quality and	and having a critical ear.	- Scott Rush, Habits of A
effectiveness of their own and	Activities	Successful Band Director
other's performances by	- devise an assessment sheet, which teaches the following concepts:	(See Self – Assessment
applying specific criteria	timing style (to include) composers, periods of music,	Form)
appropriate for the style of the	tone media, different nationalities, forms and	
music and offer constructive	tuning different compositional styles and genres	 Self assessment sheet, peer
suggestions for improvement.	dynamics rhythm	assessment, rubric, verbal
	examples may be in the style of Mozart,	critique
	harmony	
	in the impressionists style, texture in the French style,	
	form in a fugue or contrapuntal style	Links to websites:
	meter in bluegrass style, genre	
	or in the form of a rag timbre / tone color	www.ertechsoft.com
	- provide listening examples that demonstrate various elements of music	
	Resource	www.ars-nova.com
	Students will use a rubric to assess their own recorded performance.	
	Commentary	 Self assessment sheet,
	Students need to record their own performances and truly listen to the actual product	rubric, recorded
	(discrimination). One of the best ways to establish evaluation criteria is to use a rubric. In	performance
	using this method, students will try and make the best recording possible.	
	Activities	Links to websites:
	- students will record themselves performing a particular work	www.rubistar.4teachers.org/
	- students will evaluate their performance	www.4teachers.org/projectbas
	- students / teachers will use a rubric to assess performance	ed
	Other Sources	
	Standard of Excellence Band Method, Volumes I – III	
	Scott Rush, Habits of A Successful Band Director	

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VIII. Music Connections Students will relate music to the other arts and disciplines outside of the arts

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South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies	
A. *compare the terminology and contrasting definitions of various elements in each of two art areas. C. describe ways in which the principles and subject matter of other school disciplines interrelate with those of music.	Resource Use various pieces of music to teach the relationship between music, dance, and dance styles within the context of music history. Commentary Throughout history, music and dance have had a kindred relationship. Whether it be forms such as the gigue (Baroque) or "gig," music has been the life force behind the invention and performance of various dances. Dances would obviously look a little unusual without any accompaniment. Activities - name various types of dances and the music most closely associated with the style: shag modern dance swing dance hip-hop / funk line dancing slow dancing square dance disco Latin waltz the "charleston" Hawaiian ballet jazz European (ex: polka) - perform examples of both music and dance forms (example: waltz)	Other Resources - Dvorak and Floyd, Best Music for Beginning Band, Brooklyn: Manhattan Beach Music, 2000 - Dvorak, Blocher, Emmons, et al, Teaching Music through Performance in Beginning Band, Chicago: GIA Publications, 2001 - Written test, rubric, recorded performance,	
	- have dance instructor teach a reciprocal lesson Resources Students will perform specific works, which will lead to discussions on other forms of art and their language. Commentary There are certain terms that are inherent to several different art forms. Students should be encouraged to research the different ways in which these terms are used and be able to do a comparative analysis within and between disciplines. Specific works can be used to introduce these concepts. Activities - students will compare and contrast the words form, color, and line within the various arts disciplines - specific works may be performed to make connections between art forms, such as: Dello Joio, Scenes from the Louvre Mussorgsky / Ravel, Pictures at an Exhibition Tchaikovsky, The Nutcracker Other Sources Teaching Music Through Performance In Band, Volume II	written essay Links to websites www.deadance.org Written critique, written test, checklist, recorded performance Links to websites: www.nga.gov www.musichistory.crosswinds	

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IX. History and Culture Students will relate music to history and culture.

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South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies	
A. describe distinguishing	Resource	 Written test, rubric, 	
characteristics of representative	Choose selections of music to perform with your ensemble that demonstrate and teach music	recorded performance,	
music genres and styles from a	from throughout history within many different cultures.	written essay	
variety of cultures.	Commentary		
	Including music from different cultures in your programming for just about every concert is	Links to websites	
B. *classify by genre and style	an effective method of teaching history and culture if supplemental papers are incorporated	www.musichistory.crosswinds	
(and if applicable by historical	outside of the class period. The following list is in no way intended to be comprehensive.	www.ipl.org/exhibit/mushist/	
period, composer, and title) a	The list is just a starting point for using music of different cultures with your ensembles.		
varied body of high quality and	Activities	Other Resources	
characteristic musical works	- program one of the following selections with your ensemble:	- Standard of Excellence	
and explain the characteristics	Cajun Folk Songs Ticheli	Music Theory and History	
that cause each work to be	Early English Suite Duncombe / Hooks	Workbook (Books I – III)	
exemplary.	Korean Folk Song Medley Ployhar	- Donald J. Grout, A History	
	A Little French Suite La Plante	of Western Music (Shorter	
C. compare, in several cultures	The New ANZACS Hogg	Edition), New York: W.W.	
of the world, functions music	Old Scottish Melody Wiley	Norton and Company, 1981	
serves, roles of musicians, and	Rhenish Folk Festival Davis	- Palisca, Norton Anthology	
conditions under which music is	Suite from Bohemia Nelhybel	of Western Music	
typically performed.	Three Hungarian Songs Bartok	(discography)	
	Other Resources	Assessment	
	- Blocher, Corporon, et al, Teaching Music through Performance in Band, Volume II	 Written test, written essay, 	
1	- Dvorak, Blocher, Emmons, et al, Teaching Music through Performance in Beginning	rubric, verbal critique	
1	Band, Chicago: GIA Publications, 2001	-	
'	Resources: Devise a sequential lesson of selections from different time periods.	Links to websites	
	Commentary	www.musichistory.crosswinds	
	At this level, students simply need to be introduced to the concept that music comes from	.net	
1	different time periods. The lesson encourages the instructor to have students perform various	www.ipl.org/exhibit/mushist/	
	selections from the Medieval Period through the present.		
	Activities: devise a lesson plan with selections from several of the following time periods:		
	(these may be recordings or actual selections for performance)		
	Antiquity Medieval (also known as the middle ages)		
1	Renaissance Baroque		
	Classical Romantic		
	Twentieth Century Present		
	Assign students to do a written project on a composer from a particular time period.		
	Selections may include: Fanfare, Ode, and Festival (Margolis), The Battle Pavane		
	(Margolis), Come Sweet Death (Bach/Reed), Down A Country Lane (Copland /		
	Patterson), Prelude and Fugue in Bb (Bach / Moehlman), Blessed Are They (Brahms		
1	Beuhlman)		

Proficient High School Level

Grades 9 – 12

Grades- 9-12 Proficient

I. Singing Students will sing, alone, and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *sing accurately and with good breath control, alone and/or in small and large ensembles.	Resource Students will use Band Tune-Ups by Dr. Alvyn J. Heim to incorporate the teaching of solfege into classroom instruction. Commentary These exercises are great for teaching solfege in "moveable do." A particular strength of using the eight-note exercises and chord progression is noticeable improvement in interval identification and just intonation within chords. You may want to begin with the easier patterns and work up to these exercises. Activities - use the four, six, and eight note melodic phrases contained in the booklet (exercises 1 – 35) - transfer the material learned to teach students how to sight-sing simple melodies - have students compose and sing their own eight-note exercises - Have students identify diatonic intervals from "do" (major 2 nd , 3 rd , Perfect 4 th , etc.) - Add minor tonalities to these exercises; this will require the teacher to provide instruction on the non-diatonic syllables within solfege Other Sources - Grutzmacher Tonal Patterns - MacKnight Tonal Patterns - Lois Choksy, The Koda'ly Method	- Performance rubric, verbal critique, recorded performance checklist, composition assignment, written test Link to other websites: Kodaly Music Educators of Texas www.oake.org./ket/index.htm National Association of Teachers of Singing www.nats.org/
B. *sing with expression and technical accuracy a varied repertoire of instrumental literature. (grade 3-4) C. *apply well-developed ensemble skills.	Resource Students will use Band Tune-Ups by Dr. Alvyn J. Heim to incorporate the teaching of two and three-part singing into classroom instruction. Commentary These exercises are great for teaching triad identification. A particular strength of using these chordal patterns is that the canon-like method of instruction teaches students to tune various types of chords and intervals: major (I, IV, V), minor (ii, iii, vi), and diminished (vii). Activities use exercises 36 – 54 to teach chord identification and just intonation use the scales in two-part and three-part canon form (exercises 3 – 4) transfer the material learned to teach students how to sing and tune chords have students play chords diatonically on each scale degree on a keyboard teach the following type chords: major, minor, augmented, diminished have students sing the following type chords: major, minor, augmented, diminished identify the existing intervals prevalent in the two and three part writing Add minor tonalities to the "Heim" exercises; this will require the teacher to provide instruction on the non-diatonic syllables within solfege	Grutzmacher Tonal Patterns MacKnight Tonal Patterns Master Theory Books I - V Performance rubric, verbal critique, recorded performance checklist, composition assignment, written test

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II. Instrumental Students will perform on instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

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South Carolina Standards		ies/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. perform an appropriate part		o the concept of just intonation by applying certain	Other Sources
in an ensemble, demonstrating	acoustical principles to performance practice.		- Robert J. Garofalo,
well-developed ensemble skills.		nts do not possess a working vocabulary of tuning	Improving Intonation in
	procedures for their instrument. This w	ould involve normal pitch tendencies for their	Band and Orchestra
B. *perform with expression	instrument, as well as understanding the	concept of just intonation. As a reminder, tuning can	Performance. Ft.
and technical accuracy on at		equal temperament, and Pythagorean tuning.	Lauderdale: Meredith
least one string, wind, or	Pythagorean tuning refers to the ratios t	hat we use to tune various intervals.	Music, 1996
percussion instrument a	Activities		- Scott Rush, Habits of A
repertoire of instrumental	- students will complete a pitch tende		Successful Band Director,
literature with a level of	- students will explain the following	principles of tuning: When tuning major chords, (just	Fort Wayne: Focus On
difficulty of 2-3 on a scale of 1-	tuning)		Excellence Publishing:
6.	Root	must be in tune	2003
	Major 3 rd	must be lowered 14 cents	D 1
C. perform in small ensembles	Major 5 th	must be raised 2 cents	Rubric, verbal critique,
with one student on a part.	When tuning minor chords,		checklist, written critique
_	Minor 3 rd	must be raised 16 cents	• Intonation Trainer by
D. play by ear simple melodies	Other tendencies in major,		Coda Music and <i>Pitch</i>
on a melodic instrument and	Major 2nds	must be raised	Explorer by Advantage
simple accompaniments on a	All Leading Tones (7ths)	must be raised	Showare have assessment
harmonic instrument.		udents gain more understanding of pitch that the	tools for measuring pitch
	process should evolve into a listening pr		issues
E. perform solo literature and		nciples of tone production to continue to develop a	
small ensembles with one	mature sound on their instrument.		Links to other websites:
student on a part.	Commentary Many high school stude	nts do not possess a working vocabulary of principles	www.codamusic
		nstrument. The process of good tone production is	New York Philharmonic:
F. perform major and/or minor	both a listening and a physical one.		www.nyphilkids.org
scales as outlined by SCMEA	Activities		Dallas Symphony:
Standards.	- students will listen to recordings of	great players on their instrument	www.playmusic.org
	- students will learn the following pr		Other Sources
		hat the air is properly directed down into the flute	- Frederick W. Westphal,
		h reed in the mouth; keep teeth open and round	Guide To Teaching
	corners	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Woodwinds
	Clarinet Play with firm (solid) corners	and a flat chin: throat should be open	- Charles Colin, <i>The Brass</i>
		schure and allow the corners to cushion the	Player
	mouthpiece		- Philip Farkas, <i>The Art of</i>
		your woodwind counterparts (see sax embouchure)	Brass Playing
		able; chin should be down but not as pointed as	- Listening rubric, self-
	clarinet	,	assessment sheet, verbal
		oral cavity issues; use "OH" for basic tone	critique, peer assessment
	production	The second secon	Links to other websites:
		your worst enemy, pull the sound out of the	Bands of America:
		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Danus of Afficilea.

instrument, don't bang!	www.bands.org

Grades- 9-12 Proficient

III. Improvisation Students will improvise melodies, variations, and accompaniments.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A.+ improvise simple harmonic	Resource	- Verbal critique, student
accompaniments.	Use How to Play and Improvise, by Jamey Aebersold, to learn improvisation of standard jazz	rubric, checklist, recorded
	melodies within the context of a play-along rhythm section.	performance, listening
	Commentary	rubric
	All students should be exposed to the standard jazz charts that make up this great collection.	
	All instrumentalists should be well rounded and encouraged to be proficient at various styles	Links to websites:
	and genres of music so it may be necessary to write out parts for non-traditional jazz	www.jazzbooks.com
	instrumentation. Use material appropriate for the intermediate level student.	www.harmonicvision.com
	Activities: Students will learn basic improvisation (intermediate level)	
	Other Sources	
	- Jamey Aebersold, Nothin' But Blues (book)	
	- Jamey Aebersold, Anyone Can Improvise (video)	
	- Jamey Aebersold <i>Jazz, Inc</i> .	
	- Standard of Excellence Jazz Method	
	- Willie Hill, Approaching the Standards, Volumes II and III	
B.* improvise rhythmic and	Resource	- Rubric, recorded
melodic variations in a variety	Students will use rhythmic and melodic alteration to improvise a melody over the	performance, peer
of keys.	accompaniment chords used in <i>Treasury of Scales for Band and Orchestra</i> by Leonard B.	assessment, written critique
	Smith.	
C.+ improvise short melodies,	Commentary	Links to websites:
unaccompanied and over given	This supplemental method book is a gem unto itself. Each of the exercises is a harmonization	www.ertechsoft.com
rhythmic accompaniments, each	of the various major and minor tonalities. Students should be encouraged to keep it simple	
in a consistent style, meter, and	and to be musically expressive.	
tonality.	Activities	
	- Improvise simple melodies using the notes within the various keys provided	
	- Transpose and perform in various keys	
	- Analyze the chords contained in the Conductor's Score	
	- Have the director play the progressions on piano, as students improvise	
	Other Sources	
	- Master Theory, Level II - VI	
	- Allen Winold and John Rehm, Introduction to Music Theory	

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IV. Composition Students will compose and arrange music within specific guidelines.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *compose short musical	Resource	 Composition assignment,
examples in several distinct	Students will use rhythmic and melodic alteration to write a theme and variations	rating scale, written critique
styles, demonstrating creativity	arrangement of a selection of their choice.	
in using the elements of music	Commentary	Links to websites:
for expressive effect of the	Guide students in their selection of literature. Try to keep it simple, and if it sounds	www.ars-nova.com
music.	idiomatic, it is probably a good choice. Have fun with this project and record your final masterpieces for posterity.	www.harmonicvision.com
	Activities	
	- compose a forty measure, single line arrangement based on the 'theme and variations' model of <i>My Country 'Tis of Thee</i> (Theme / Var. I / Var. II) or another tune of the student's choosing	
	- transpose and perform the composition in various keys	
	Other Sources	
	- Master Theory, Level III - VI	
B. *arrange short musical	Resource	
examples for instruments other	Students will take melodic and rhythmic dictation of four popular tunes of the twentieth	
than those for which the pieces	century.	
were written in ways that	Commentary	
preserve or enhance the	For students to truly understand composition, they must be able to musically notate what	
expressive effect of the music.	they hear in their head. These exercises allow the instructor to guide students in interval	
	identification, key identification, and other aural skills necessary to compose an arrangement	
C. *compose and/or arrange	or original composition. These are not that easy and may require the instructor to play a	
music for various instruments	measure at a time.	
demonstrating knowledge of the	Activities	
ranges and traditional usage of	- students will take dictation of the following four tunes:	
sound sources.	Somewhere Over the Rainbow (eight bar chorus)	
	Do-Re- Mi from The Sound of Music (sixteen bar chorus)	
	Somewhere Out There from An American Tail	
	Simple Gifts	
	Other Sources	
	- Allen Winold and John Rehm, Introduction to Music Theory,	
	- Aldwell and Schachter, Harmony and Voice Leading Workbook, Volume I,	

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V. Reading and Notating Students will read and notate music.

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South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *read standard notation in	Resource	 Rubric, composition
5/8, 7/8, and 5/4 meter.	Students will compose sight-reading for like instruments using specified guidelines for	assignment, written critique,
	rhythm, dynamics, articulations, and range.	recorded performance
	Commentary	
	This exercise should be kept fairly simple and should be commensurate with the level of	Links to websites:
	student knowledge. The instructor must provide clear expectations and give logical	www.mibac.com
	parameters for the assignment.	www.maestromusic.com
	Activities	
	- students will compose sight-reading examples for like instruments	
	- students will perform their own example, as well as, the examples of others	
	- students should use the following parameters:	
	■ examples should be 8 – 10 measures in length	
	 half notes, quarter notes, eighth notes, sixteenth notes and their rests 	
	dynamics ranging from piano to forte	
	slurs, staccato markings, and no more than two accents	
	 no extreme range issues and no illogical interval skips 	
	Other Sources	
	- Larry McClure, All-State Sight reading	
	- Dan Fox, <i>The Rhythm Bible</i> , Alfred Publishing	
	- Claude T. Smith, Symphonic Warm-ups for Band	
B. *sight read, accurately and	Resources Use Larry McClure's <i>All-State Sight reading</i> books to improve reading skills.	• Verbal critique, rubric,
expressively, music with a level	Commentary	recorded performance, self
of difficulty of 1-2, on a scale of 1-6.	There is currently no better source for providing concise, logical sight-reading examples.	assessment of recorded
	The books are sequenced from beginner to advanced levels within each time signature. Daily	performance
	work will yield tremendous results! This should be done one-on-one or in a private lesson	 Use the Watkins-Farnum
C. *identify and define standard	setting.	book to individually assess
notation symbols for pitch,	Activity	sight reading.
rhythm, dynamics, tempo,	- students should read the first four exercises within the time signatures of 2, 3 and 4/4,	Links to an abside
articulation, and expression.	cut-time, and 6/8.	Links to websites:
D. use standard notation to	 Students should use the following helpful hints as they practice their reading skills: Establish a pulse 	www.mibac.com
record musical ideas and the	Establish a puise	www.iiiibac.com
musical ideas of others.	 Pick a slightly slower tempo than you think is comfortable Read note stems (rhythms) rather than note heads (notes) 	www.moostromusic.com
		www.maestromusic.com
	 Check the key signature When sight-reading, count all triple meter giving the eighth note the beat 	www.alfradpub.com
	Other Sources	www.alfredpub.com
	- Dan Fox, <i>The Rhythm Bible</i> , Alfred Publishing	
	- Claude T. Smith, Symphonic Warm-ups for Band	

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VI. Analysis Students will listen to, analyze, and describe music.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. describe specific music	Resource	 Written critique, written
events in a given aural example, using appropriate terminology.	The director will make use of the vocabulary list contained in the <i>Selmer Band Manual</i> to introduce appropriate terminology to high school students. Commentary	test, peer assessment, checklist
	It is important for students to have a working knowledge of musical terminology. The long-term goal is to have students be able to pronounce and use musical terms in the appropriate	Links to websites
	situation. Care must taken in order that students do not simply memorize a list but be able to carry on an intelligent musical conversation.	www.ertechsoft.com
	Activities - devise a vocabulary test, which utilizes the Senior list of terms for winds as stated in the South Carolina Musician	www.mibac.com
	 devise "flash cards" with appropriate terms and note names devise other "terms" games with rewards and prizes Other Sources 	
	- Elizabeth Green, The Modern Conductor	
B. *analyze examples of a varied repertoire of music, representing diverse genres and cultures, by describing the uses of elements of music and expressive devices.	Resources Students will be able to define, identify, and explain the concept of form within a composition or movement of a particular work. Commentary Very rarely are students exposed to the concept of musical form. Whether a work is through composed or sonata-allegro form, students need to be made aware that a composer generally works within a certain musical structure. It is important to teach these concepts in a way that	Other Sources - Blocher,et al, Teaching Music through Performance In Band, Volumes III - Grout, A History of Western Music (Shorter
C. *analyze and apply, through performance, knowledge of the	they can be mastered. This is not the time for the instructor to prove to the students how much he / she knows about the music.	Edition)
technical vocabulary of music.	Activities - students will define and be able to identify the following musical forms: ABA or ternary Theme and Variations Binary Fugue Rondo ABACABA Sonata-allegro Dance Suite	Assessment Written essay, written test, rubric, verbal critique Links to websites www.ertechsoft.com
	 students will provide examples of a particular musical form students will compose a short example using a particular form students will use the words, "structure" and "musical elements" to analyze a particular selection Other Sources 	www.mibac.com
	 Blocher, et al, Teaching Music through Performance In Band, Volumes III Grout, A History of Western Music (Shorter Edition) 	

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VII. Evaluation Students will evaluate music and music performances.

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South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *refine and apply specific	Resources: Students will use the <i>Components of Playing</i> list to analyze various	Other Sources
criteria for making informed,	compositions. Reprinted with permission, Daniel Katzen 2003, Member of the Boston	Scott Rush, Habits of A
critical evaluations of the	Symphony Orchestra.	Successful Band Director
quality and effectiveness of	Commentary	
performances.	Students often perform works without becoming acutely aware of the details involved in the	- Written critique, rubric,
B. evaluate a performance,	inner workings of the piece. This exercise encourages students to evaluate each element individually, while	checklist, written test
arrangement, or improvisation	performing each element simultaneously. Students are encouraged to analyze each of the	Links to websites:
by comparing it to similar or	pieces they are performing whether they be solo works or large ensemble pieces.	www.talentz.com
exemplary models.	Activities	
	- students will evaluate each of the following elements:	
	Components of Playing	- Recorded performance,
	1. Tone – sound	self assessment, verbal
	2. Articulations	critique, rubric
	3. Timing 1. Do <u>Each</u> Daily	
	4. Rhythm	Links to websites:
	5. Tuning	
	6. Style	www.rubistar.4teachers.org/
	7. Phrasing 2. Do <u>All Simultaneously</u>	
	8. Finger and Tongue Technique	www.4teachers.org/projectbas
	9. Ranges	ed
	10. Clarity	
	11. Endurance	
	12. Dynamics	
	13. Lyricism	
	14. Emotion of Musical Line	
	15. Control 3.Each requires "Acting" the part	
	16. Tone Color	
	17. Technique, including muting, trills, double –tonguing	
	18. Attacks	
	19. Releases	
	20. Ensemble Balance (with permission from Danny Katzen, Boston Symphony)	
	Resource Students will use a self-assessment form to evaluate their own recorded	
	performance.	
	Commentary Students need to record their own performances and truly listen to the actual	
	product (discrimination). One of the best ways to establish evaluation criteria is to use a self-	
	assessment form. In using this method, students will try and make the best recording	
	possible.	
	Activities	
1	- students will record themselves performing a particular work	
<u> </u>	- students will evaluate their performance	

- students will fill out a self-assessment form (see next page) **Other Sources** Standard of Excellence Band Method, Volumes I – II

Other Sources Standard of Excellence Band Method, Volumes I – II
Student Assessment Form for Recorded Material
Student Name:
Musical Selection or Required Measures:
Evaluate your performance based on the following criteria. Refer to specific measures where problems need to be addressed or where the performance was successful. If a specific measure or area needs improvement, identify the specific problem and how it may be improved.
Time (Pulse, Rhythmic Accuracy)
Tuning (Relative Pitch, Inherent Pitch Tendencies)
Tone (Characteristic Sound and Steady Airstream)
Technique (Articulations, Markings, Dexterity)

Other Noticeable Components, Interpretation, Style, Dynamics

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VIII. Music Connections Students will relate music to the other arts and disciplines outside of the arts.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *explain how elements,	Resource	 Written critique, written
artistic processes, and	Demonstrate the similarities between <i>Impressionist</i> art and music of the same period.	test, checklist, assessment
organizational principles are	Commentary	sheet
used in similar and distinctive	Throughout history, there have been certain correlations between music and art. The period	Links to websites:
ways in the various art areas.	of the <i>Impressionists</i> is an example of such a time. This is a great music and art history	The National Gallery of Art,
	lesson for high school students.	Washington
	Activities	www.nga.gov
	- Listen to the music of Debussy and Ravel	
	- Provide visual examples of work by Monet, Manet, and Degas	The National Gallery of Art,
	- Have the art teacher discuss the use of color and clarity in the period	London
	- Use a work like <i>Afternoon of A Faun</i> to show musical descriptiveness within the period	www.nationalgallery.org.uk
	- Coordinate an art exhibit with a school concert. Have students discuss terms such as	
	texture, line, and rhythm within each discipline.	The Metropolitan Museum of
	Other Sources	Art www.metmuseum.org
	- Standard of Excellence Music Theory and History Workbook (I – III)	
	- Art History Resources <u>www.witcombe.sbc.edu./ARTHLinks.html</u>	The Art Institute of Chicago
	- Guggenheim www.guggenheim.org	www.artic.edu
B. *compare characteristics of	Resources	• Written critique, written
two or more art areas with a	Students will perform specific works, which will lead to discussions on other forms of art and	test, checklist, recorded
particular historical period or	their language.	performance
style and give examples from	Commentary	
various cultures.	There are certain terms that are inherent to several different art forms. Students should be	
	encouraged to research the	Links to websites:
C. *compare ways in which the	different ways in which these terms are used and be able to do a comparative analysis within	
principles and subject matter of	and between disciplines. Specific works can be used to introduce these concepts.	www.nga.gov
various disciplines outside the	Activities	
arts are interrelated with those	- students will compare and contrast the words <i>form</i> , <i>color</i> , and <i>line</i> within the various arts	www.musichistory.crosswinds
of music.	disciplines	•
	- specific works may be performed to make connections between art forms, such as:	
	Dello Joio, Scenes from the Louvre	
	Mussorgsky / Ravel, Pictures at an Exhibition Tchaikovsky, The Nutcracker	
	Other Sources	
	- Teaching Music Through Performance In Band, Volume II	

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IX. History and Culture Students will relate music to history and culture.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. identify and explain the	Resource	Other Sources
stylistic features of a given	Choose selections of music to perform with your ensemble that demonstrate and teach music	- Blocher, Corporon, et al,
musical work that serve to	from throughout history within many different cultures.	Teaching Music through
define its aesthetic tradition and	Commentary	Performance in Band,
its historical or cultural context.	When programming for our ensembles, it is important to include works from many different	Volume II
	cultures and from different periods in music history. Supplemental materials can be used to	
	greatly enhance the teaching of a particular work. This can be given as a written assignment	 Recorded performance,
	to students. The following list is in no way intended to be comprehensive. The list is just a	written critique, written
	starting point for using music of different cultures with your ensembles.	essay, verbal critique
	Activities Program one of the following selections with your ensemble:	
	Africa: Ceremony, Song, and Ritual Smith	Links to websites:
	Americana Folk Suite Kopetz	
	Brazilian Folk Dance Suite Rhoads	www.ipl.org
	Cajun Folk Songs Ticheli	
	A Downland Suite Ireland	
	Fantasy on "Sakura, Sakura" Cramer	
	An Irish Rhapsody Grundman	
	Trail of Tears Barnes	
	Uganda Lullaby Brisman	
	- students will do a written critique, which will include the following: biographical	
	information on the composer; historical perspective and background of a particular work	
B. identify and describe music	Resources	Other Resources
genres or styles that show the	Devise a sequential concert of selections from different time periods.	- Standard of Excellence
influence of two or more	Commentary	Music Theory and History
cultural traditions, identify the	At this level, students simply need to be introduced to the concept that music comes from	Workbook (Books I – III)
cultural source of each	different time periods. The lesson encourages the instructor to have students perform various	- Donald J. Grout, A History
influence, and trace the	selections from the Medieval Period through the present. Have students research the program	of Western Music (Shorter
historical condition that	so that they may develop program notes for the concert.	Edition), New York: W.W.
produced the synthesis of	Activities Devise a lesson plan with selections from several of the following time periods:	Norton and Company, 1981
influence.	Antiquity	- Palisca, Norton Anthology
	Medieval (also known as the middle ages)	of Western Music
C. *identify various roles that	Renaissance	(discography)
musicians perform, name	Baroque	
representative individuals who	Classical	• Written test, written essay,
have functioned in each role,	Romantic	rubric, verbal critique
and describe their activities and	Twentieth Century	
achievements.	Present (Jazz)	
	- assign students to do a written project on a composer from a particular time period	Links to websites:
	- selections may include: Fanfare, Ode, and Festival (Margolis), Allerseelen (Strauss /	
	Davis), Ave Maria (Biebl / Cameron), Blessed Are They (Brahms / Beuhlman), Come Sweet	www.ipl.org/exhibit/musichist

Death (Bach / Reed), Fugue in G minor (Bach), A Little Night and Day Music (Adler), Old Home Days (Ives / Elkus), First Suite in Eb (Holst), Toccata (Frescobaldi / Slocum)

Advanced Band

Grade 9 – 12

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I. Singing Students will sing, alone, and with others, a varied repertoire of music.

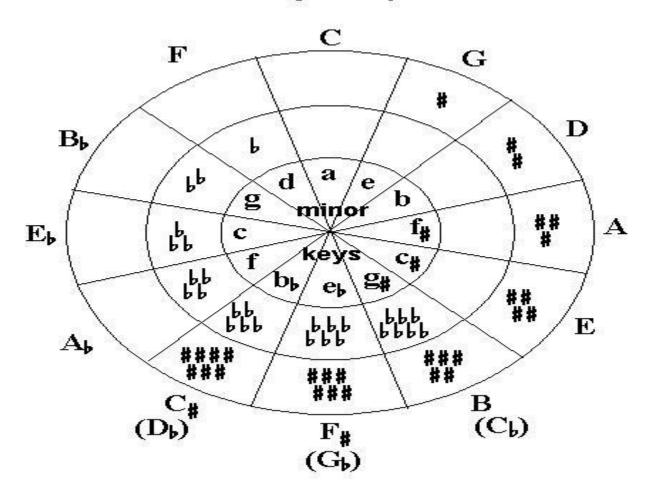
South Carolina Standards		Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *sing accurately and with	Resource Students will use	e Band Tune-Ups by Dr. Alvyn J. Heim to incorporate the	 Performance rubric,
good breath control, alone	teaching of solfege into class	teaching of solfege into classroom instruction.	
and/or in small and large	Commentary		recorded performance
ensembles.		in "moveable do" to teach the following concepts: triad	checklist, composition
		s, dissonance, resolution, suspensions, and pyramid balance. You	assignment, written tes
		ovement in tuning, tone, and virtually every other listening skill	Link to websites:
	required to play an instrume	ent. You may want to begin with the easier patterns and work up	Kodaly Music Educators of
	to these exercises.		Texas
	Activities		www.oake.org./ket/index.htm
	- use the four and six-no	te melodic phrases contained in the booklet (exercises $9-29$)	National Association of
	- use the eight-note melo	odic phrases and triad builders contained in the booklet (exercises	Teachers of Singing
	30 - 58)		www.nats.org/
	use two and three-note patte	erns to teach the concepts of tension, release, and suspension	_
	(exercises 59 – 69)		
B. *sing with expression and		e Sixteen Bach Chorales arranged by Lake to incorporate the	Other Sources
technical accuracy a varied		g into classroom instruction.	- Robert Garofalo,
repertoire of instrumental	Commentary		Improving Intonation In Band
literature (grade 4-5)		o" for these exercises. Strive for a warm sound and make sure	and Orchestra Performance - Scott Rush, Habits of A
	•	that the oral cavity is round and open. Bring out the moving parts.	
C. *sing in small ensembles	Activities		Successful Band Director
with one student on a part		ng of the Bach chorales	- Master Theory Books I –
(assigned instrumental part).		arned to teach students these concepts within just intonation:	VII
	When tuning major chords,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	- Claude T. Smith, Symphoni
	Root	must be in tune	Band Warm-ups
	Major 3 rd	must be lowered 14 cents	
	Major 5 th	must be raised 2 cents (negligible)	 Verbal critique, written
	When tuning minor chords,		critique, checklist
	Minor 3 rd	must be raised 16 cents	
	Other tendencies in major,		
	Major 2nds	must be raised	Links to websites:
	All Leading Tones (7ths)	must be raised	
		ate playing various types of chords on keyboard instruments	
	- play the chorales with	full ensemble	National Association of
	Other Sources		Teachers of Singing
	- Grutzmacher, Tonal Po		www.nats.org
	- MacKnight, Tonal Par	tterns	
	- Kodaly, <i>Method</i>		
		proving Intonation in Band and Orchestra Performance. Ft.	
	Lauderdale: Meredith I	Music, 1996	
	- Scott Rush, Habits of A	A Successful Band Director, Fort Wayne: Focus On Excellence	

Publishing: 2003	
- Pitch Explorer by Advantage Showare	

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II. Instrumental Stude	II. Instrumental Students will perform on instruments, alone and with others, a varied repertoire of music.			
South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies		
A. perform an appropriate part in an ensemble, demonstrating well-developed ensemble skills. B. *perform with expression and technical accuracy on at least one string, wind, or percussion instrument a repertoire of instrumental literature with a level of difficulty of 4-6 on a scale of 1-6. C. perform in small ensembles with one student on a part. D. play by ear simple melodies on a melodic instrument and simple accompaniments on a harmonic instrument.	Resource Students will use computer aids such as the Intonation Trainer by Coda Music to develop advanced concepts in tuning. Commentary Advanced high school players should possess an understanding of normal pitch tendencies for their instrument, as well as solutions for fixing normal tuning issues. The next step is to introduce students to the latest computer aided resources for improving intonation. Intonation Trainer / Smart Music has many components and will allow students to develop their own pitch tendency charts and will give visual and aural cues for improving pitch. Activities - students will compose a paper on the differences between just intonation, equal temperament, and Pythagorean tuning - students will use computer aided products such as the Intonation Trainer to develop a sophisticated, working knowledge of tuning and basic pitch tendencies Other Resources - Robert J. Garofalo, Improving Intonation in Band and Orchestra Performance. Ft. Lauderdale: Meredith Music, 1996 - Scott Rush, Habits of A Successful Band Director, Fort Wayne: Focus On Excellence Publishing: 2003 - Pitch Explorer by Advantage Showare - Rubanks Intermediate and Advanced Methods for Winds - Goldberg, Modern School for Xylophone and Marimba - Master Theory, Books III, V, and VI	Written essay, checklist, rating scale, rubric (assessment tools contained within computer program) Links to websites: www.codamusic.org www.advantageshoware.com		
E. perform solo literature and small ensembles with one student on a part. F. perform major and/or minor scales as outlined by SCMEA Standards.	Resource Students will develop a working vocabulary of natural, harmonic, and melodic minor scales and will perform them for the logical range of their instrument. Commentary Advanced high school level players should be able to perform their minor scales. The best format is the circle of fifths (minor) due to the natural addition and subtraction of sharps and flats for key signatures as you move around the circle. Students should learn all three forms of minor based off of the major scale for that key. In so doing, students will learn that the third is always lowered a half step and that all other adjustments are made to the sixth and seventh scale degrees of the major scale. Activities - students should use the Circle of Fifths as a starting point for performing minor scales: (See the following page) - students should perform all three forms of minor: natural, harmonic, and melodic Other Sources - Rubanks Intermediate and Advanced Methods for Winds - Goldberg, Modern School for Xylophone and Marimba - Master Theory, Books III, V, and VI	Recorded performance, composition assignment, rubric, verbal critique Links to websites: Music Ace: www.harmonicvision.com www.auralia www.risingsoftware.com/musi tion		

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III. Improvisation Students will improvise melodies, variations, and accompaniments.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A.+ improvise stylistically	Resource	 Rubric, checklist,
appropriate harmonizing parts	Students will use the concept of basso continuo to learn basic improvisational practices of the	written critique
in a variety of styles.	Baroque period.	
B. +improvise original melodies in a variety of styles over given chord progressions, each in a consistent style, meter, and tonality.	Commentary It is interesting to recreate these basic concepts by providing a melody and chord symbols in root position. To establish the <i>continuo</i> (or group of players), use a bassoonist or cellist for the bass line and play the chords on a keyboard instrument. Students may alternate between performing variations on the melody or playing the chords on the keyboard. Activities	Links to websites: www.musichistory.crosswinds .net
C.+ improvise short melodies, unaccompanied and over given	- students will use melodic alteration to learn improvisation with melodies of the Baroque period	www.ipl.org/exhibit/mushist/
rhythmic accompaniments, each in a consistent style, meter, and tonality.	 students will learn to read chord symbols to produce an accompaniment students will read chord symbols to produce the <i>continuo</i> bass line Other Resources Donald Jay Grout, A History of Western Music (Shorter Edition) Claude Palisca, Norton Anthology of Western Music (Shorter Edition) Master Theory, Level III – VI Jamey Aebersold, Major and Minor Jamey Aebersold, Jazz Ear Training 	
	Resource Use Jamey Aebersold's, <i>Getting' It Together</i> , to further develop improvisational skills within the jazz idiom. Commentary Referred to as volume 21, <i>Getting' It Together</i> is the next logical step in encouraging students to improvise on their instrument. This supplemental method can be used with individuals or adapted for class use. Activities Use <i>Getting' It Together</i> for development of intermediate / advanced improvisational skills. Other Resources	Rubric, recorded performance, self assessment Links to websites: www.jazzbooks.com www.harmonicvision.com
	Jamey Aebersold, <i>Major and Minor</i>Jamey Aebersold, <i>Jazz Ear Training</i>	

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IV. Composition Students will compose and arrange music within specific guidelines.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. compose music,	Resource	 Composition assignment,
demonstrating imagination and	Students will write their own composition based on the form of their choosing: ABA,	rubric, verbal critique, peer
technical skill in applying the	AABA, 12-bar blues, theme and variation form.	assessment
principles of composition	Commentary	
	Advanced level students enjoy writing their own simple compositions. There must be logical	
	parameters in place to allow students to succeed at this venture. Use a computer program	Links to websites:
	such as <i>Finale</i> or <i>Sibelius</i> to establish a format for each composition. Have the class play the	
	final versions and record them for posterity.	www.codamusic.com
	Activities	
	- students will write an original composition using the	www.ars-nova.com
	"form" of their choosing	
	- students will use the following parameters	www.harmonicvision.com
	a. students will introduce the melody	
	b. students will restate the melody in another voice	
	c. students will ornament or improvise the melody with unchanged accompaniment	
	d. students will change the underlying accompaniment	
	e. students will combine elements for final variation	
	Other Sources	
	- Allen Winold and John Rehm, Introduction to Music Theory,	
	- Aldwell and Schlachter, Harmony and Voice Leading Workbook, Volume I,	
	- Allen Winold and John, Rehm Introduction to Music Theory,	
	- Aldwell and Schlachter, Harmony and Voice Leading Workbook, Volume I,	
D the state of the	- Band-In-A-Box computer aided software	
B. *arrange short musical	Resource	Composition assignment,
examples for instruments other	Students will use popular songs of the twentieth century to compose their own arrangement	rubric, recorded performance,
than those for which the pieces	for large ensemble.	self assessment
were written in ways that	Commentary	
preserve or enhance the	Advanced level students love to hear their compositions and arrangements played by the	7.1.
expressive effect of the music.	class. Encourage creativity, but make sure that students do not overwrite. The	Links to websites:
C. *compose and/or arrange	accompaniment should be kept simple. You will need to guide students in the selection of	
music for various instruments	material, ranges for instruments, keys, and length	www.ars-nova.com
demonstrating knowledge of the	of piece.	1
ranges and traditional usage of	Activities	www.harmonicvision.com
sound sources.	- students will compose their own arrangement of an American pop tune for large	
	ensemble	
	- students will conduct their own arrangements	
	- students will use notation software such as <i>Finale</i> or <i>Sibelius</i>	
	- students may use sequencing software to generate a computerized / synthesized version	
	of the composition	

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V. Reading and Notating Students will read and notate music.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *read non-standard notation	Resources	 Recorded Performance,
symbols used by 20th century	Students will write the following exercises in all major keys: scale, arpeggio, thirds, and	rubric, self assessment,
composers.	Clark study and perform the finished product.	composition assignment
B. *sight read, accurately and expressively, music with a level of difficulty of 3-4, on a scale of 1-6.	Commentary One of the best ways to have students notate music is to have them write scales and their key signatures. In so doing, students will become acutely aware of scale degrees and have an advanced working knowledge of all keys. Activities - students will notate, in all major keys, the scale, arpeggio and Clark study (See next page) - students will perform each written example (Students should learn the exercise in one key and then transcribe into other keys) Other Sources - Claude T. Smith, Symphonic Warm-ups for Band - Bierschenck and Rhoads, Symphonic Band Warm-ups - Supplemental etude and method books	Links to websites: www.codamusic.com www.ars-nova.com www.harmonicvision.com
C. *identify and define standard	Resources	 Recorded performance,
notation symbols for pitch, rhythm, dynamics, tempo,	Use Larry McClure's <i>All-State Sight reading</i> books to improve reading skills. Commentary	verbal critique, rubric, self assessment
articulation, and expression.	There is currently no better source for providing concise, logical sight-reading examples.	 Watkins-Farnum Sight
D. use standard notation to record musical ideas and the	The books are sequenced from beginner to advanced levels within each time signature. Daily work will yield tremendous results. Activity	Reading Book
musical ideas of others.	- students should read exercises three through ten (of each time signature), within the time signatures of 2, 3 and 4/4, cut-time, 6/8, 9/8, 12/8 and some mixed meter	Links to websites:
	 Students should use the following helpful hints as they practice their reading skills: Establish a pulse 	www.harmonicvision.com
	Pick a slightly slower tempo than you think is comfortable	
	Read note stems (rhythms) rather than note heads (notes)	
	• When sight-reading, count all triple meter giving the eighth note the beat	

Scale



Arpeggio



Thirds



Clark Study, from the Herbert L. Clark



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VI. Analysis Students will listen to, analyze, and describe music.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. *describe in detail	Resource	 Written critique, written
significant events occurring in a given musical example.	Students must define various Italian, German, and French musical terms to be able to perform advanced-level music. Students should also analyze structure, form, and musical elements within a given composition. Commentary	test, peer assessment, checklist
	It is important for students to have a working knowledge of musical terms in several languages. The long-term goal is to have students be able to pronounce and use musical	Links to websites
	terms in the appropriate situation. Students must also begin to have an understanding of form, as it relates to a particular composition.	www.ertechsoft.com
	Activities - Devise a vocabulary test, which utilizes the most often used Italian, German, and French musical terms - Have students analyze the form and structure of a musical composition	www.mibac.com
	 Have students analyze the form and students of a musical composition Have students identify other musical elements that are significant Other Sources Elizabeth Green, <i>The Modern Conductor</i> 	
	 Blocher, Miles, et al, Teaching Music Through Performance In Band, Volumes I – IV 	
	 Edward Aldwell and Carl Schachter, <i>Harmony and Voice Leading, Volumes I and II</i>, <i>Master Theory</i>, Books III and VI 	
B. compare ways in which musical materials are used in a given example relative to ways in which they are used in other	Resource Students will analyze the harmonic structure of a portion of a full score of music within their given genre. Commentary	
works of the same genre and style.	Advanced level students should be acutely aware of various clefs, transpositions, forms, and chords. Students can put this knowledge to good use by analyzing a particular work's form and harmonic structure. It is important for the instructor to select a portion of a work that is	
C. analyze and describe uses of the elements of music in a given work that make it unique,	commensurate with the level of student achievement.	
interesting, and expressive.	 Activities students will provide a harmonic analysis of a given work for band (from the score) students may include inversions in their analysis 	
	 students will identify elements of form such as repetition, contrast, or variation students must understand transpositions for various instruments to complete the assignment 	

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VII. Evaluation Students will evaluate music and music performances.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies
A. evaluate a given musical	Resource	Other Sources
work in terms of its aesthetic	Students will use a self-assessment form to evaluate their own (recorded) performance.	- H.A. Vandercook,
qualities and explain the	Commentary	Expressions In Music
musical means it uses to evoke	Students need to record their own performances and truly listen to the actual product	- Miles, Lisk, et al,
feelings and emotions.	(discrimination). One of the best ways to establish evaluation criteria is to use a self-	Teaching Music through
	assessment form. In using this method, students will try and make the best recording	Performance in Band,
	possible.	Volume IV
	Activities	- Ed Lisk, <i>The Creative</i>
	- students will record themselves performing a particular work	Director: Alternative
	- students will evaluate their performance	Rehearsal Techniques
	- students should evaluate the 4 T's, as well as, any technical and stylistic considerations	- James Jordon, <i>The</i>
	- students will fill out a self-assessment form (see next page)	Musician's Soul
	Other Sources	
	- Scott Rush, Habits of A Successful Band Director	 Self assessment, recorded
	- Miles, Blocher, et al, Teaching Music Through Performance in Band, Volume IV	performance, rubric
	- H.A. Vandercook, Expressions In Music	
	- Miles, Lisk, et al, Teaching Music through Performance in Band, Volume IV	Links to websites
	- Ed Lisk, The Creative Director: Alternative Rehearsal Techniques	www.rubistar.4teachers.org
	- James Jordon, The Musician's Soul	
B. evaluate a performance,	Resources	 Recorded performance,
arrangement, or improvisation	Students will compare vocal inflection to musical nuance / agogic weight within a selection	written critique, self
by comparing it to similar or	of music.	assessment
exemplary models.	Commentary	
	One of the best ways to teach musical nuance is to demonstrate to students how vocal	Links to websites:
	inflection can change the meaning of a particular sentence. Use the following sentence to	www.dreamscape.com
	talk about "inflection" and then compare this exercise to various musical examples, or	www.corouniscop.cocom
	"musical inflection."	
	Activities	
	- Use the following sentence to teach vocal "inflection":	
	WERE you there last night?	
	Were YOU there last night?	
	Were you THERE last night?	
	Were you there LAST NIGHT?	
	- Use the following terms to compare vocal inflection to musical nuance:	
	Shaping Agogic Weight	
	Longs vs. Shorts Flow	
	Louds vs. Softs Expression	
	Highs vs. Lows Rubato	
	- Have students evaluate these elements in a particular selection	

Student Assessment Form for Recorded Material

Student Name:
Musical Selection or Required Measures:
Evaluate your performance based on the following criteria: Refer to specific measures where problems need to
be addressed or where the performance was successful. If a specific measure or area needs improvement, identify the specific problem and how it may be improved.
Time (Pulse, Rhythmic Accuracy)
Tuning (Relative Pitch, Inherent Pitch Tendencies)
Tone (Characteristic Sound and Steady Airstroam)
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Technique (Articulations, Markings, Dexterity)
Other Noticeable Components, Interpretation, Style, Dynamics

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VIII. Music Connections Students will relate music to the other arts and disciplines outside of the arts.

South Carolina Standards	Activities/Topics/Resources	Assessment Strategies	
A. compare the uses of characteristic elements, artistic processes, and organizational principles among the arts in different historical periods and different cultures.	Resources Students will compare and contrast elements of music, architecture, and art within the Baroque period (1600 – 1750). Commentary It is fascinating how many visual and musical elements came together during the Baroque period. Students should be encouraged to become inquisitive about the similarities and differences. Activities - Students will use the following words to compare and contrast various art forms within the Baroque period, ornamentation, dynamics, improvisation, emotion - Students will review art work by Rubens, Vermeer, and Rembrandt - Students will listen to music by Bach and Handel Other Sources - Standard of Excellence Music Theory and History Workbook (I – III) - Art History Resources www.witcombe.sbc.edu./ARTHLinks.html - Guggenheim www.guggenheim.org - Standard of Excellence Music Theory and History Workbook, Volumes I – III - Teaching Music Through Performance In Band, Volumes I – III	Written critique, written test, checklist, assessment sheet Links to websites: The National Gallery of Art, Washington www.nga.gov The National Gallery of Art, London www.nationalgallery.org.uk The Metropolitan Museum of Art www.metmuseum.org The Art Institute of Chicago www.artic.edu	
B. compare how the characteristic media of two or more art areas can be used to transform similar event, scenes, emotions, or ideas into works of art. C. explain how the roles of creators, performers, and others involved in the production of the arts are similar to and different from one another in the various arts.	Resource Students will compare and contrast the lives of composers whose work was significantly influenced by dance, art, opera, or theatre. Commentary There are many examples throughout history where several art forms came together to produce significant work. Students should be encouraged explore these type collaborations as part of their basic knowledge of music history. Activities - students should elaborate on how other art forms influenced the work of the following: Stravinsky Tchaikovsky Bernstein Hindemith Ravel Shostakovich Mussorgsky Wagner	Written critique, written test, checklist, assessment sheet Links to websites www.musichistory.crosswinds .net www.ipl.org/exhibit/mushist/	

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IX. History and Culture Students will relate music to history and culture.

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South Carolina Standards		Assessment Strategies				
A. identify and explain the stylistic features of a given musical work that serve to define its aesthetic tradition and its historical or cultural context. B. identify and describe music genres or styles that show the	Activities/Topics/Resources Resource Choose selections of music to perform with your ensemble that demonstrate and teach music from throughout history within many different cultures. Commentary Include music from different cultures in your programming for just about every concert is an effective method of teaching history and culture if supplemental papers are incorporated outside of the class period. The following list is in no way intended to be comprehensive. The list is just a starting point for using music of different cultures with your ensembles. Have students provide biographical information about the composer and an historical perspective about the work		Other Sources - Blocher, Corporon, et al, Teaching Music through Performance in Band, Volume II - Williamson, Rehearsing the Band			
influence of two or more cultural traditions, identify the cultural source of each influence, and trace the historical condition that produced the synthesis of influence.	Activities program one of the fol American Salute A Movement for Rosa An American Elegy Elegy for A Young American	lowing selections with your ensemble: Gould Camphouse Ticheli Lo Presti	 Recorded performance, written essay, rating scale, written test 			
	English Folk Song Suite Four Scottish Dances	Vaughan-Williams Arnold / Paynter	Links to websites:			
C. *identify various roles that	Irish Tune from County Derry	Grainger	www.musichistory.crosswinds			
musicians perform, name representative individuals who	Japanese Tune Kaddish	Konagaya McBeth	.net			
have functioned in each role,	Paris Sketches	Ellerby	www.ipl.org/exhibit/mushist/			
and describe their activities and	Russian Christmas Music	Reed				
achievements.	Sea Songs	Vaughan-Williams	Other Sources			
	comes from different time periods perform various selections from the Activities devise a lesson plan with these may be recordings or selections. Antiquity Medieval (also known as the Middle Renaissance)	Classical dle Ages) Romantic Twentieth Century	 Donald J. Grout, A History of Western Music (Shorter Edition), New York: W.W. Norton and Company, 1981 Palisca, Norton Anthology of Western Music (discography) Written test, written 			
	Carmina Burana (Orff / Krance), Sinclair), Dance of the Jesters (To (Berlioz), Overture (Mendelssohn	Present poser from a particular time period. Selections may include: Circus Polka (Stravinsky), Country Band March (Ives / chaikovsky / Cramer), Grande Symphonie Funebre t), Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor(Bach / Hunsberger) psichore (Margolis after Praetorius), Toccata and Fugue in esinfonie (Wagner)	essay, rubric, recorded performance Links to websites: www.musichistory.crosswinds .net www.ipl.org/exhibit/mushist/			

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